Early Learning Council

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- Jada Rupley has been appointed by Governor Kitzhaber as Oregon's first Early Learning System Director and will oversee Early Learning services with the Early Learning Council under the OIEB.

- Key deliverables for Sept. 30 submission to OEIB and the legislature are underway. Of note, a facilitated joint session of members/representatives of the Early Learning Council and members of the State Interagency Coordinating Council for Early Intervention/Early Childhood Special Education occurred on Friday, Sept. 7. Two more sessions will be held prior to Sept. 30.

- The Early Learning Council will meet in The Dalles on Sept. 12-13.

- The Community Based Coordinators of Early Learning Services workgroup, charged with developing a new service delivery model to proposal to the 2013 legislature, has adopted a work plan for producing their deliverables by February per statute, thought the internal target date is December. Membership list included.

- Oregon is still awaiting final guidance from the federal government for resubmission of Race To The Top/Early Learning Challenge Grant.

Community Based Coordinators of Early Learning Services Workgroup roster:

Chair, Charles McGee, Early Learning Council member and co-founder, Black Parent Initiative (Portland)

Lynne Saxton, Executive Director, Youth Villages/Christie Care of Oregon (Portland)

Jim Tierney, Executive Director, Community Action Team (St. Helens)

Sue Miller, Executive Director, Family Building Blocks Relief Nursery (Salem)

Dick Withnell, Early Learning Council member (Salem)

Brent Demoe, Polk County Commission on Children and Families (Dallas)

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